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# Advert / Phones and their impact on our streets

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# Advert / Phones planning

- A loophole in the planning law allows telecoms providers to put telephone kiosks on the highway under 'prior approval'
- Planning authorities can only object, within 56 days, on grounds of amenity or safety
- Providers use this loophole to install kiosks in order to get income from the adverts on them, knowing the phones themselves are rarely used any more

# Advert / Phones usage

- Payphone usage has declined by 90% in 10 years
- Telecoms providers have a duty to provide a reasonable number of working phone boxes
- Ofcom require consultation on payphone removal unless there is another within 400m
- However the density now being proposed shows payphone use is not the purpose



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# Phone kiosk evolution



K6 Kiosk  
2.44m (h) x 0.91m (w) x 0.91m (w)



BT KX100 kiosk  
2.16m (h) x 0.89m (w) x 0.90m (d)



BT KX100+ kiosk  
2.21m (h) x 0.89m (w) x 0.90m (d)



Infocus Kiosk  
2.56m (h) x 1.32m (w) x 1.11m (d)



Arquiva Kiosk  
2.43m (h) x 0.95m (w) x 0.94m (d)



New World Payphones 'Modern' Kiosk  
2.43m (h) x 0.90 (w) x 0.90 (d)



BT Street Talk 6 Kiosk  
2.64m (h) x 1.34m (w) x 0.8m (d)



New World Payphones Kiosk  
2.64m (h) x 1.34m (w) x 0.8m (d)



BT Link  
2.9m (h) x 0.89m (w) x 0.27m (d)



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# InLink Monoliths



- Monolith is 2.9m tall and has display panels (0.7m x 1.2m) on both sides
- Phone has no handset, or shelter for user, and is on edge of monolith
- Monolith includes three CCTV cameras
- Of the 25 applications for monoliths received so far in Bristol, 9 are sited so that they will block the footway when in use



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# Phone kiosk applications in Bristol

YEAR	APPLICANT	APPLICATIONS	GRANTED	APPEALS	SUCCEED
2012	Infocus Public Networks	9	0	9	5
2015	BT	4	0	1	1
2016	New World Payphones	(advert) 7	2	3	3
2017	New World Payphones	5	4	1	1
2017	Euro Payphone	23	0	19	pending
2017	Infocus Public Networks	(advert) 9	9		
2018	InLink (BT)	25	0		



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# Kiosk Application Locations

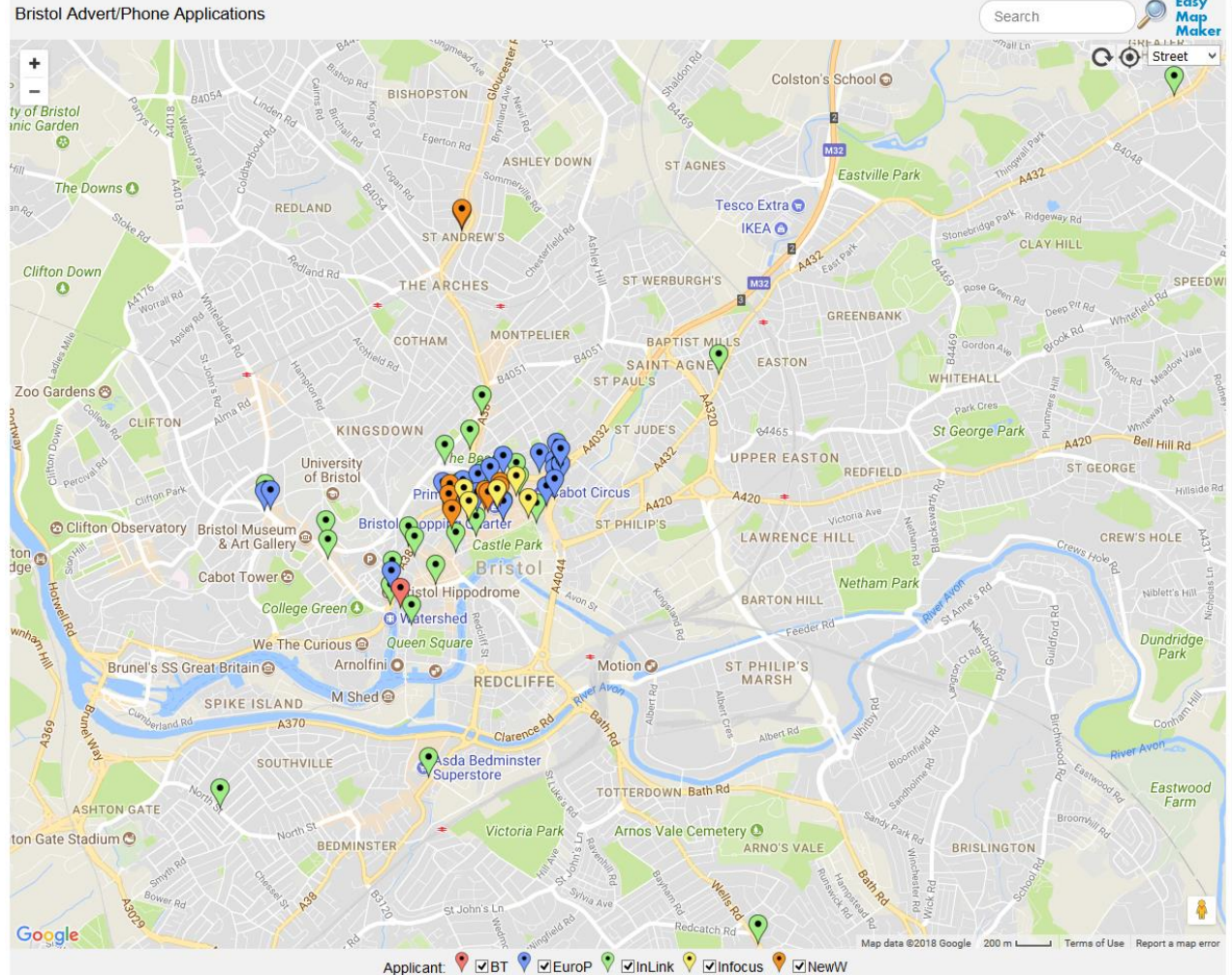
46 in BS1

4 in BS2

3 in BS8

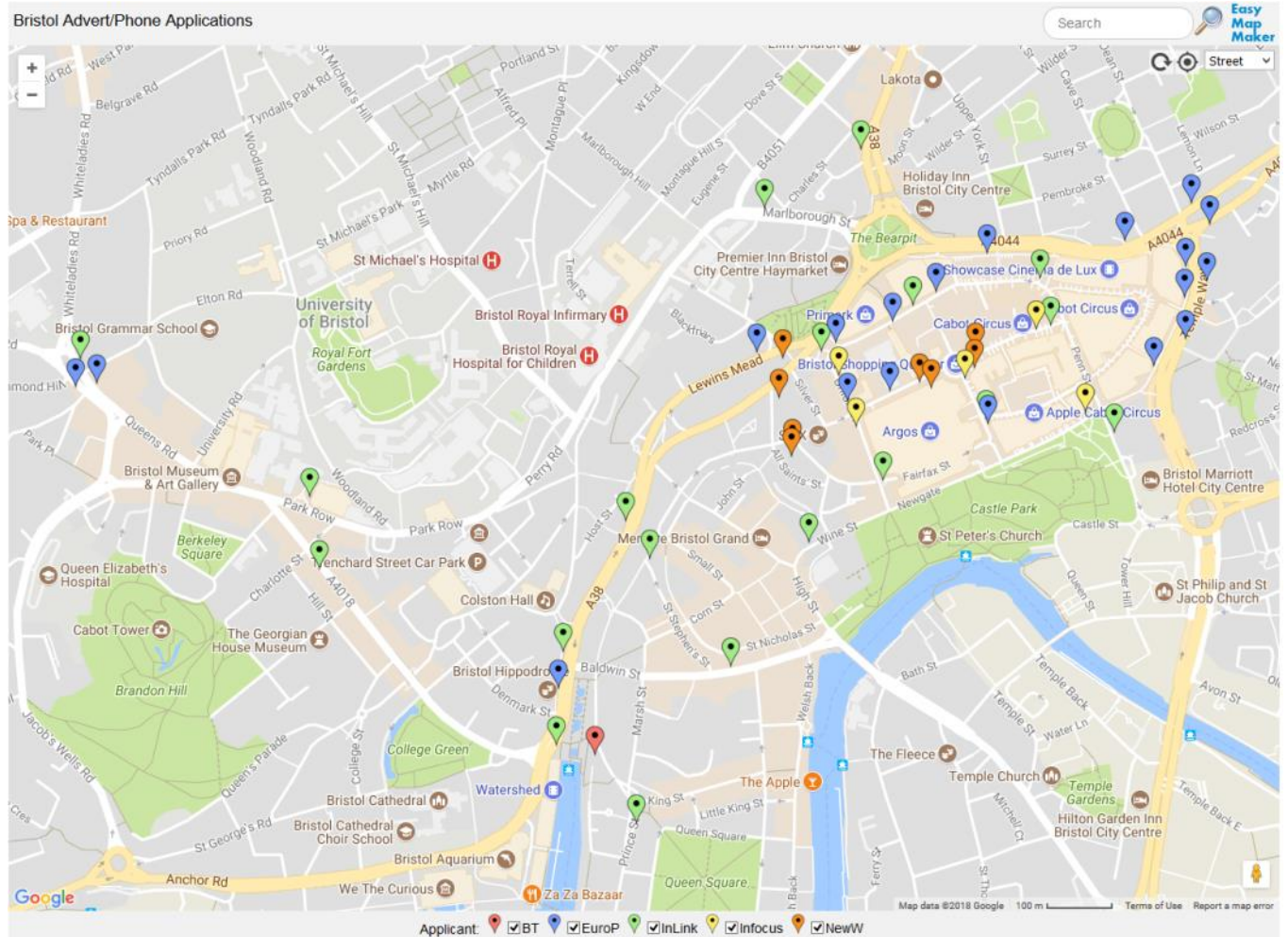
2 in BS3, BS7

1 in BS4, BS5, BS16





# Kiosk Application Locations Bristol city centre





# Some BCC reasons for rejection

- Street robbery
- Hoax calls
- Drug dealing
- Theft
- Criminal damage
- Anti-social behaviour
- Creating pedestrian 'pinch points'
- Driver distraction
- Overly large
- Footway obstruction
- Poor service access
- Structural integrity
- Wind resistance
- 'Replacements' are at different sites



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# Appeals

- 19 appeals against refusal by Euro Payphone are pending, due before the Planning Inspector this month
- 10 out of 14 recent appeals have been successful

# Large advertising signs on Temple Way



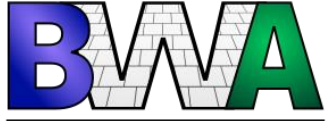
Being opposed by Adblock Bristol. BWA has further objected on safety grounds.



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# Who are Bristol Walking Alliance?

- A consortium of organisations and individuals who campaign to improve Bristol's walking environment



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## What does BWA do?

- Respond to city-wide travel strategy and policy
- Comment on local planning proposals that affect the walking infrastructure
- Campaign on specific issues that affect pedestrians, for example
  - Pavement parking
  - Better air quality



## BWA planning group responses: (2017/18)

- 23 Advert/Phone kiosks by Euro Payphone Ltd
- Victoria Park / Northern Slopes
- Hotwell Road / Anchor Road
- Nelson Street
- Temple Quay / Avon Street
- Temple Circus
- Temple Quarter Campus
- Colston Hall / Trenchard Street
- Coronation Road / Dean Lane
- 25 Advert/Phone monoliths by InLink (BT)



## Existing BWA members include

- Bristol Civic Society, Bristol Dementia Action Alliance, Bristol Disability Equality Forum, Bristol Older People's Forum, Bristol Ramblers, Living Streets, North Bristol NHS Trust, Playing Out, Road Peace, RNIB, Sustrans, Transport for Greater Bristol
- Action Greater Bedminster, BCR Community Partnership (Bishopston Cotham & Redland), The Bishopston Society, Greater Brislington Together, St George Community Network, TRESA (Totterdown), Up Our Street (Easton and Lawrence Hill)



# BWA is open to new members

- Particularly relevant to neighbourhood groups who are concerned about the local walking infrastructure
- Or join as an individual to get our newsletter
- No membership fees!
- Website: **[bristolwalkingalliance.org.uk](http://bristolwalkingalliance.org.uk)**





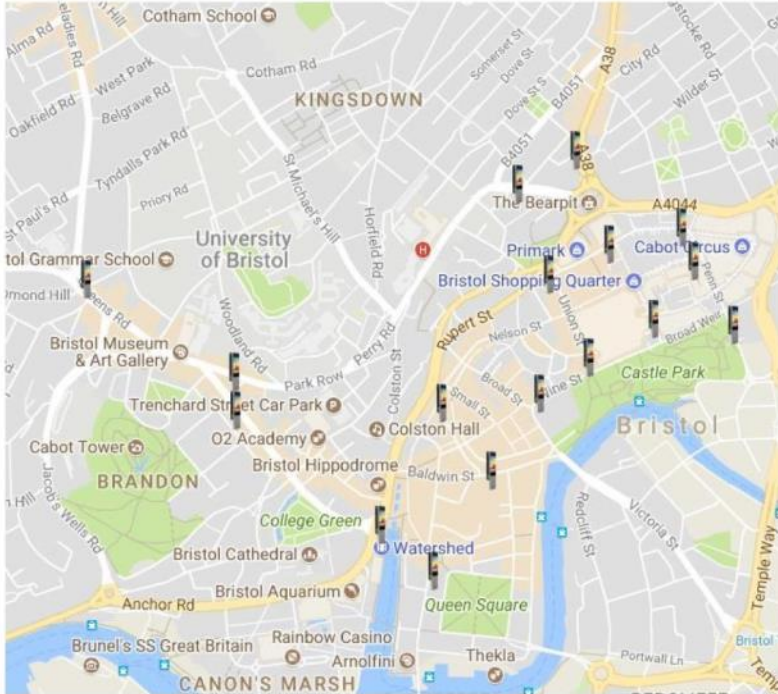
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# Initial 17 InLink Locations

Map of Proposed InLink Locations:



Map of BT Payphone Removals:

